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Foden hopes leaked England report will bring 'positive change'

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Explosive teen is lucky to be alive, says dad

BY JONATHAN REILLY
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THE father of a teenager who was injured when a mortar he had dismantled exploded said he 'was very lucky not to lose his life.'

Luke Stillman, 16, from Walgrave, suffered the injuries to his hands when the explosive he bought off the internet detonated.

His father Terry told the *Herald & Post* that his son was a collector of military items and they were told that the Spanish 81mm mortar round had been disarmed before he bought it from a specialised action site for £46 and had it posted to his home.

The mortar, when in use, is described as a 'cluster munition' and is typically used on the battlefield to combat troops and tanks.

Mr Stillman said: "Luke collects military bits and pieces and we bought him the mortar on the strict belief that it was inert.

"Like all boys his age, he likes stripping things down and putting them back together but it turns out that the detonator had not been removed.

"He was very lucky not to lose his life because when it went off he was standing up but the injuries he sustained did not look very nice at all."

Mortar, like the one Luke bought on the internet

Luke suffered burns to his hands and has lost the top of his index finger and thumb after the explosion and has missed time at school due to the accident.

Mr Stillman says that he has been in contact with the specialist auction site where he bought the item which has since banned the seller.

He added: "We have been in contact with the seller but he denies being responsible. Right at the end of the conversation he did say, I hope your son gets better but that was right at the end."

Police have now issued a warning about the dangers of handling similar material and are investigating under the Firearms Act how the 'live' mortar round came to be in his possession.

Detective Sergeant Andy Rogers, of Northampton CID, said: "This incident could potentially have resulted in Luke sustaining a much more serious injury.

"Anyone taking apart ordnance of any description should exercise the greatest care when doing so.

"Messing around with any ordnance is potentially very dangerous. If you discover ordnance of any description, steer clear and contact the police immediately.

"We need to know how this mortar round was still 'live' and available for purchase in this country and, to that end, we are investigating to see whether any criminal offences have been committed under the Firearms Act."

The incident happened on September 16 but details were only released yesterday.

Returning heroes honoured

PEOPLE lined the streets to welcome soldiers who had returned from duty in Afghanistan.

The homecoming parade took place in Northampton on Tuesday.

For the full story and an interview with 27-year-old Sergeant Antony Dyer, see pages 6 and 7.

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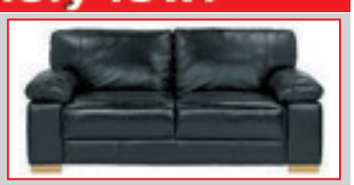

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Gym re-thinks swim rules after parents make splash

BY LAWRENCE JOHN
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A FAMILY from Podington threatened to cancel their gym membership if the company had introduced strict new swimming rules.

Sophie Wheeler and her three children Henry, seven, Alfred, five and Florence, three, are all members of Virgin Active in Riverside, Northampton.

Both Sophie and her husband Philip were shocked when they heard Virgin were planning new rules that would have meant Mrs Wheeler could not take all her children swimming alone.

Virgin was proposing to change the legislation so that an adult could only take one child swimming or two kids, as long as one could swim or had passed a 'Shark' proficiency test which none of Mrs Wheeler's have.

The new rules were set to apply to families who have youngsters under eight, coming into force on December 15.

Mr Wheeler, who is not a member of Virgin Active, said: "If they don't implement that policy and go ahead with the change that is fine and we would be very happy but if they do make these changes then we will have to cancel our membership as we would not be able to take the children."

And it seems Virgin has decided to re-think its plans, considering a more family friendly option.

Responding to the Wheelers' concerns and of other parents who have not been happy, UK chief operating officer at Virgin Active, Scott Hood said: "Last week, Virgin Active proposed changes to the number of children that a single adult could swim with when using our pools.

"The Institute of Sport and Recreation Management (ISRM) provides guidance to all pool operators on these ratios. We take the safety of our members very seriously and the proposed changes were in line with our ongoing work to make our clubs as safe and enjoyable as possible.

"Having listened to member feedback in the last week, we recognise that our approach to exceed the ISRM guidance was too restrictive and would have a negative impact on the ability for certain families to continue to use our pools.

"Sometimes we get things wrong but we will always listen to feedback and, where necessary, act upon it.

"By listening to our members we have now increased our child to adult swimming supervision ratios and will be writing to all members with two or more children this week to clarify our newly revised policy.

"The new rules are still in accordance with ISRM guidance and will come into effect from December 15.

"I would like to apologise to all our members for any frustration and confusion that our originally proposed changes may have caused."

Figures show council in the bottom four for data loss

CONFIDENTIAL documents from Northamptonshire County Council left out in a post office were among dozens of cases where sensitive information was accidentally leaked by the authority.

A new report shows that the council is the fourth worst for discarding or losing sensitive data, with 48 cases from August 2008 to August 2011.

Only Buckinghamshire, Kent and Essex fared worse in the report compiled by pressure group Big Brother Watch.

The information, obtained under the freedom of information act, shows that Northamptonshire County Council lost the data in a number of different ways.

Staff at the authority had laptops and memory sticks lost or stolen 12 times over the three year period and there were a number of incidents where emails were sent to the wrong people.

There are also allegations of postal staff opening payslips and confidential documents about students at Unity College, which should have been archived, being sent to the council.

The report also outlines a case where a resident was contacted by a marketing company after giving his details to the authority's 'Slim your Bin @ Home' campaign.

The actions taken by the council were not disclosed in the report, although nationally only nine people were dismissed for breaching security.

Nick Pickles, director of Big Brother Watch, said: "This research highlights a shockingly lax attitude to protecting confidential information across nearly a third of councils.

"The fact that only a tiny fraction of staff have been dismissed brings into question how seriously managers take protecting the privacy of their service users and local residents.

"Despite having access to increasing amounts of data and being responsible for even more services, local authorities are simply not able to say our personal information is safe with them."

A spokesman for Northamptonshire County Council: "We are disappointed to hear about this report, as we take very seriously our responsibilities as the custodians of information, and believe we have a good relationship with the Information Commissioners Office. We are currently looking actively at the improvements we can make in this area; for example, we have recently run a privacy campaign which saw information about data security cascaded to all staff via an internal communications campaign.

"We actively remind staff about their responsibilities to manage information securely at all times.

"We have standards of required practice for information management which apply to all staff and which we are currently in the process of reviewing so that they reflect latest developments in thinking and practice in this area.

"We will review the Big Brother Watch report and take note of its contents in light of our ongoing improvement activities."

Shops out to prove it's business as usual

AN MP is supporting a group of shops which have been affected by long term roadworks.

Michael Ellis, MP for Northampton North, will be joining shopkeepers and traders from Kingsthorpe tomorrow in the Waitrose car park to demonstrate that the area is open for business – on the day the works are completed.

Last week the *Herald & Post* spoke to businesses in the area around the Cock Hotel junction which have been affected since the programme started in June. Some shops have seen trade drop as much as 60 per cent.

Mr Ellis said: "I fully understand and support the shopkeepers and concerns that they have experienced over the past several weeks and months.

"I know myself how badly small businesses have been affected with the drop in trade. That's why it's important to let people know that these shops are open in time for the Christmas period."

Northamptonshire County Council, in charge of making the improvements, said the works have been completed ahead of schedule.

The carriageway has been widened with more effective traffic signals to minimise congestion and pedestrian crossings re-positioned.

Brave Bear joins the Scouts' fun

ADVENTURER and television presenter Bear Grylls paid a flying visit to meet Scouts from Northamptonshire.

Part of Bear's mission, at the Group Camp event on Saturday, was to inspire more adults to volunteer for the movement.

Waiting lists to join Scouting stand at 400 in Northamptonshire and more than 33,500 nationally and more helpers are needed so youngsters can join.

The journey comes as part of Bear's plan to visit the whole of the UK during his term as Chief Scout.

The camp showed what Scouting is all about. Mr Grylls joined the children (***pictured***) in a range of outdoor activities including shelter building, archery and abseiling.

Dancing divas don their mos for special event

MORE than 50 women wore a painted moustache with their exercise outfits as they did their bit for charity.

The group were taking part in an aerobathon Mo Party at Derngate Gym in aid of Movember, a national charity raising funds and awareness for prostate and testicular cancer throughout November.

Thousands of men in Northampton and throughout the country have signed up for the month long moustache-growing campaign.

Gym owner Marie Boullemier said: "We raised over £500 in donations plus another £500 from members getting sponsors. One of our members did face painting and put moustaches on everyone who came in the club that day.

"One of our staff, Kali Plant, who lost a sister to cancer, made vast quantities of curries throughout the day – all for Movember.

"It was a brilliant night. Thai bo teacher Martin Cole, Zumba teacher Michael Gonzalez and Step teacher Rob Harris had the place rocking with atmosphere.

"If you would like to donate to our team go onto http://mobro.co/derngategym and hopefully we can get that figure up to £2,000 by the end of the month."

■ Men at an accountancy firm in Northampton are also supporting the good cause by growing moustaches.

As part of their fundraising they have organised the Blue Cube Tash Bash which will take place on Wednesday, November 30 at NB's in Bridge Street, Northampton.

Customers, clients and supporters are invited to go along and will be asked to make a donation. The firm is hoping to raise more than £2,000.

County's top of the class for learning

BY JONATHAN REILLY
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SCHOOLS in Northamptonshire are among the best in the region, according to a Government watchdog.

The annual Ofsted report released this week reveals that 76 institutions, including 15 schools, 57 childcare providers, three children's social care services and one adult learning provider have been classed as outstanding - the highest tally in the East Midlands.

One of the rated childcare providers, is Raunds Day Nursery, which has been rated outstanding twice as part of its last two inspections in 2007 and April 2011.

Manager Kathy Marshall said: "We have a great team here who all share ideas and experiences and really listen to the children when it comes to planning their lessons.

"Having outstanding status and being featured in the Ofsted Annual Report is a great achievement for us, backed by the consistently healthy numbers who come through our door.

"We take great pride in our other outdoor learning. We have a garden where children learn to plant and grow vegetables, then get to eventually eat them at snack time. This helps them learn that vegetables don't grow in the supermarket."

Her Majesty's chief inspector, Miriam Rosen, said: "Everyone who has contributed towards the delivery of the outstanding services across Northamptonshire deserves our recognition.

"From the visits I make around the country, I know just how much hard work and dedication goes in to delivering the best outcomes for children, young people and learners. I hope others will be inspired by these successful providers."

To find out the result of your local school, visit www.ofsted.gov.uk

Cops in search for raider who sprayed victim

A ROBBER who broke into a house sprayed his victim with a red liquid when challenged.

The aggravated burglary occurred in the Abington area of Northampton at around 11pm on Monday.

A man was asleep in an upstairs bedroom of his house when he was woken by a noise. On getting up to investigate, he encountered an intruder on the landing.

The victim challenged the intruder which was when he was sprayed with the liquid, which possibly had a chilli pepper base, before making off down the stairs and out of the property.

The spray incapacitated the man, causing him to cough and reddening his face, arm and legs but had no lasting effects.

The offender is described as a white man who spoke with a foreign accent, which might have been Turkish.

He was about 5ft 8ins tall, aged in his 30s, of stocky build, with short brown hair and was wearing dark clothing.

He left the property with an accomplice who was downstairs.

The Northampton Safer Community Team will be carrying out high-visibility patrols in the Abington area.

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Is it time to take tax action in protest at cuts?

EXTORTIONATE tuition fees mean young adults have little chance of decent further education unless prepared to accept a mortgage size debt to begin their careers.

Nothing is done to provide jobs, hence little chance of finding work either.

Now, Northamptonshire County Council propose further cuts.

Young adult and Connexions services will likely lose more funding. Connexions offers careers advice to young people, giving many hope and a step toward a meaningful future.

Government always seems surprised when people, particularly the young, are on the streets protesting and rioting.

They should remember the old adage, "the devil makes work for idle hands."

Elements of the media tar all the young with the same brush but they are most often victims, not perpetrators, of a corrupt system and its leaders, seemingly bent on self-interest.

Capitalism encourages greed and ruthlessness to prosper, so why the surprise when some young people become anti-social or rebel when there is little hope and the example is of systemic, endemic corruption.

PCSO services are also threatened with cuts.

These have become a vital communication link between authority and those on the street.

Cuts are a false economy stirring up larger future problems.

Although I don't advocate anything illegal, I'm so angry with cuts and corruption, I've considered withholding tax payments in protest.

Nationally and locally billions are siphoned from public services, not to defend this country but to feed a corrupt, corporate, imperialistic war machine steamrollering across the world.

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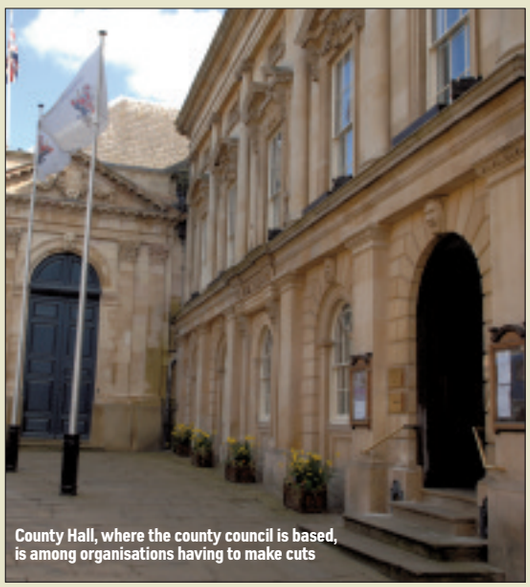
By email



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Mark General Manager of The Broughton

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Think of ME sufferers this Christmas

CHRISTMAS, love it or hate it, is coming. It is a demanding time for those with an abundance of health and wealth.

If you love or care for someone with ME, think about it, put yourself in their position – would you welcome guests, in a party mood, wish them to enter your cold house, neglected due to inability, receive cards and gifts you have not the energy to return and cannot afford without going further into debt?

Would you want to receive an invitation to a party of strangers, dependent on someone for transport home, swap your own bed for a lilo on the floor of a spare room, next to a loud gathering you cannot join?

Here is some advice:

■ For anyone who loves or cares for someone with ME, ask them what would be best for them and then, unconditionally, unquestioningly, do as they request.

■ For any ME sufferer, unable to cope with Christmas, tell your relatives and friends the contents of, or show them, this letter.

■ For any ME sufferer unable to deal with, or even being bullied, by someone who doesn't understand, contact us and we will speak to them on your behalf.

We shall hear of more casualties in the New Year, from those who did not heed this appeal and who will not be there 24 or 48 hours later to witness the exhaustion, or the months of ME relapse, that ensue.

I don't know a single person affected by this awful illness who has not additionally been touched by social isolation, fragmented relationships, a broken heart or spirit and even death.

Please take these tips for a happier Christmas for all.

Dr John H Greensmith
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Scheme praised for giving youths work

BY JONATHAN REILLY
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BUSINESSES in Northamptonshire are getting a boost from apprentices, according to a local councillor.

Liberal Democrat County Councillor Richard Church has welcomed the new influx of apprentices across the town created in part by a scheme encouraging companies to take on young workers.

This includes offering employers up to £1,500 for taking on trainees aged between 16 and 24.

Across Northamptonshire 4,820 learners took on an apprenticeship last year, an increase of 1,740 from 2009/10.

Within Northampton itself, there has been a 66 per cent increase, with 1,850 positions created.

Cllr Church, Northamptonshire Liberal Democrats regeneration spokesman, said: "Apprenticeships make companies more productive and give young people the experience and skills they need.

"Liberal Democrats are determined to tackle youth unemployment and get our economy back on track. Apprenticeships are a huge part of that.

"Apprenticeships are beneficial to all involved and the record rise in learners taking them up is great news for Northamptonshire and the economy as a whole.

"Small businesses form the backbone of our economy and the announcements by Liberal Democrat business secretary, Vince Cable, are very welcome.

"They show the Liberal Democrats in Government are determined to do the right thing and create sustainable growth, driven by our local employers."

Mr Cable said: "The apprenticeships programme is a success story, with record numbers of learners starting an apprenticeship this year. But I have listened to employers and will go further to ensure that investment is targeted where impact is greatest, delivering the specific skills businesses need to drive growth.

"Apprenticeships are proven to boost the life chances of young people and are a sound investment in our future competitiveness. So when times are tough, it's right that we provide additional support to help the smallest firms meet training costs."

Scaling the heights to aid BBC appeal

STAFF and officers from Northamptonshire Police were among those doing their bit for Children in Need.

Last weekend, PC Paul Neeson and staff member Anna Benson, joined around 50 others to abseil 110 metres down the Northampton lift tower and together raised more than £800 for the worthy cause.

The hair-raising event was organised by Northampton Round Table and even the charity's mascot Pudsey Bear took a turn. The whole event is on course to raise £16,000 for the charity.

Back at Northants Police staff in the Information Unit raised £70.23, while in the Force canteen, all members of staff dressed in pyjamas and sold Pudsey items and specially-baked cakes.

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Shoppers will be rewarded if they support local stores

A LOYALTY card has been launched to try to encourage more people to come into Northampton town centre and shop locally.

The scheme has been set up by Northampton Business Improvement District (BID) and already has 130 businesses signed up and 500 people taking a card.

Shops in the town centre advertise they accept the card and then offer different discounts to people who use it.

BID runs until 2015 and during this time it aims to generate an investment in excess of £2 million for the town centre area.

This will come from a levy collected from the eligible businesses as well as voluntary contributions.

It is intended further funding opportunities will be identified to attract additional inward investment.

A director of BID, Richard Clinton, said: "The loyalty card is working really well and we hope the card scheme will help to bring a greater footfall to the town.

"The loyalty card is similar to one operating in Kettering and about to start in Wellingborough.

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Army's a family affair

SOLDIERS who have just returned from Afghanistan paraded through the town this week to celebrate their homecoming. **LAWRENCE JOHN** spoke to Sergeant Antony Dyer to find out about his 'frontline' experiences.

A TWENTY-SEVEN-YEAR-OLD soldier has made the journey from the frontline in Afghanistan, where he fought the Taliban, back to his home town.

Sergeant Antony Dyer of the 9th/12th Royal Lancers, who is from Northampton, experienced his second homecoming parade in front of friends, family and well wishers when his regiment marched through the town centre on Tuesday.

This celebration was a far cry from the demands put on Sgt Dyer and his fellow soldiers as they carried out their duties in Helmand – one of the most dangerous war zones in the world.

Sgt Dyer, a former pupil at Boothville Lower School, Boothville Middle School and Northampton School for Boys, has been in the army for more than ten years and recently returned from a six-month deployment on Operation Herrick.

IN COMBAT: Sgt Dyer in Afghanistan

He has been on four tours to Bosnia and two in Iraq but he described this visit to Afghanistan as his toughest yet.

Part of his role was doing reconnaissance squadron, which is mounted on light armoured vehicles called Scimitars.

Explaining what he did, Sgt Dyer said: "My main role was reconnaissance. This entailed being sent out to an area to find out who lives there, who were the tribal elders and where the mosques were. That amounted to 40 per cent of my job while the other 60 per cent was focused on targets.

"This was going out into areas to seize cachets of weapons, drugs and explosives.

"We would get the bad guys and bring them all back to base to be processed.

"We were very much on the frontline and fighting every day.

"I believe almost anyone can be a soldier as it is all down to the training."

As far as this modern soldier is concerned any civilian could become a troop as he/she would know what to do because the training they would receive is so good.

He added: "It is all about training and preparation.

"I have been in the army for more than ten years.

"The training gets better and so does the equipment.

"Whatever we needed while we were on duty we could have any piece of equipment from aviation to a helicopter.

"I was trained for ten months before being deployed in Afghanistan."

Asked if he had ever thought of leaving the army, Sgt Dyer said he would not want to do anything else as he 'loves his job'.

"The army has improved me as when I was young I was not the best disciplined. But it helped me grow up quickly.

"One of the things it has done is made me more aware of the rest of the world and given me a better understanding about Africa, Bosnia and Iraq. It has opened my eyes.

"As I went into the army at such

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for 'proud' sergeant

a young age I believe it has become part of who I am.

"I have thought of doing other things but this is who I am.

"I get a lot of satisfaction from what I do. One of the important factors is the friendship.

"This is the one thing which my friends who have left the army miss. It is this closeness – you are brothers with everyone else – it is one big family.

"You stick up for each other and become a very tightly knit unit.

"In any extreme situation you look out for each other."

Sgt Dyer doesn't have any lucky charm he takes with him to remind him of home but does have pictures of family and friends and his little brother's Transformers quilt but nothing too personal or sentimental.

"I try to forget about home. I still phone home and write letters but I don't think about it too much as I just get on with my job.

"I worry a bit about what is going on at home but not often."

Sgt Dyer, who experienced a homecoming parade in 2009 on his return from Iraq, said the support filled him with immense pride.

He added: "The turnout makes everyone feel appreciated and people actually care.

"It was emotional with all my family and friends there.

"Some people had even taken time off to support us.

"I absolutely loved it as I was so proud, really proud as it showed we were home safe and sound."

People gather outside All Saints' Church on Tuesday

A TOWN came together to salute a set of real life heroes this week.

On Tuesday, families and friends clapped and cheered as soldiers from the 9th/12th Royal Lancers took part in a home-coming parade after their successful and challenging tour of Afghanistan.

'A' Squadron were the final group to return home from Helmand.

Accompanied by The Light Cavalry Band, around 200 soldiers stepped off from Market Square at 11am.

The route saw them go through the town centre, before a salute at All Saints' Church.

Following that the parade proceeded, finishing at Market Square. The soldiers then attended a civic reception at the Guildhall.

Lieutenant Colonel Will Fooks, the commanding officer of 9th/12th Royal Lancers, said the six month tour had been demanding with 'considerable' pressure.

He said: "There are so many factors which produce that pressure. There is not just the threat provided by the enemy but there is also the conditions and the heat."

Although the training received before they were deployed was exceptional, nothing could prepare them for the loss of Lance Corporal Paul Watkins, who was killed in action on July 16.

His tragic death, and the life changing injuries suffered by two others, were felt by all.

One of the people welcoming the troops was Mayor of Northampton, Councillor Jamie Lane.

He said: "Events like this are a way for our town to show how proud we are of the Lancers, not only for the vital work they do, but as an important part of our community."

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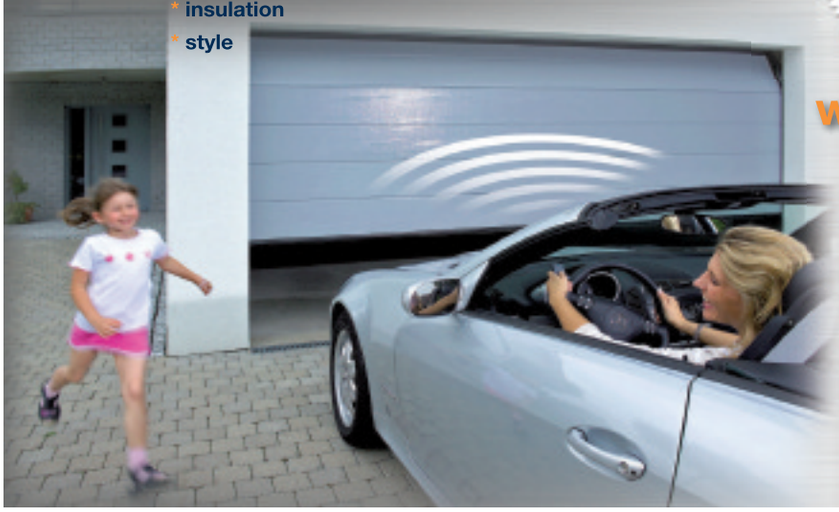

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TalkingPoint

This week's guest columnist is Cllr Mark Bullock, deputy leader of the Labour group on Northamptonshire County Council

My time-keeping diary is an election day reminder

I DO not know about you but in the run up to the festive season my time just seems to vanish into thin air.

So, I have started to keep a detailed diary of what I have been up to in the simple hope of freeing some time to devote to important things.

First up, my new diary tells me that I am spending just over half an hour a day reading my emails. How can this be true?

Counting up, I get around a thousand non-spam emails a week.

A hundred or so need a reply, say two minutes each, then say five seconds to glance at each of the rest and hit the delete button. So that is where the time goes.

In response, I have tightened the settings on my spam filter to delete more email automatically.

That is great for all the rubbish and down right offensive emails but until I am sure that the settings are right, I have a quick review to check if something important has found its way into the spam folder.

Trouble is that I keep finding important emails in my spam folder, including a strangely entitled "Elections 2012/13 training day" email from the Labour Party that had to be manually retrieved from its deletion fate.

Now, Labour is well on the way to being ready for the county council elections in May 2013 but what elections are planned in 2012?

Then, it finally dawned on me that there is planned to be an election for a police commissioner on November 15, 2012. If I cannot remember then I know that this idea of an elected police commissioner has not even registered with the good folk of Northamptonshire yet.

I am hardly giving away any secrets that none of the two major political parties are even remotely ready.

Mind you the Liberals, in their true sitting on the fence style, have said that Liberals can back local independent candidates.

More cynically, this is probably because the Liberals know their chance of getting anybody elected as a police commissioner anywhere let alone in Northamptonshire is precisely zero.

Of course, part of the problem for politicians is that if you do not like the idea of an elected police commissioner and you say so publicly, then your comments will always be trotted out if you ever stand as a candidate.

While if you say that you like the idea, then everybody starts assuming that you want to stand.

Nick Ross, former Crimewatch presenter and now visiting professor at the Jill Dando Crime Science Institute at University College London, does not want politicians to stand.

But in the same political breath, he says he wants to stand as an elected police commissioner, although he is not saying where yet.

Now, while a Crimewatch presenter might have some idea of how the police work the same cannot be said for some of the self publicists and extremists that might get elected if turnout is low and it might well be low on a cold Thursday in November.

So, most politicians are keeping quiet until they have quietly sounded out colleagues as to their chances.

More importantly, we politicians have to address the crime and policing problems of today.

The biggest of today's problems is that after 16 years of national crime figures falling, in the first year of the Tory-led Coalition Government crime went up.

And how have the local Tories reacted to this?

First, they axed half the county's street lights. Now, they have removed the county's £500,000 contribution to Police Community Officers which means there will be 25 less PCSOs on the streets.

I remember Nick Ross's old parting line from Crimewatch, "Don't have nightmares, do sleep well."

It would just be a lot easier if the county Tories had nothing to do with local policing.

Park up for free this Christmas

BY LAWRENCE JOHN
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SHOPPERS can enjoy free parking at a town centre car park for the five Saturdays in the run up to Christmas.

Northampton Borough Council is offering shoppers the chance to park without charge in the Mayorhold this Saturday (launch day for the Christmas lights) and December 3, 10, 17 and 24.

The council's cabinet member with responsibility for enterprise, planning and regeneration, Councillor Tim Hadland said: "We know people want us to provide convenient and reasonably-priced parking and it plays a key part in attracting shoppers, supporting local businesses and boosting the town's economy.

"The free Saturdays up to Christmas are a great addition to the reduction in parking prices that we announced earlier in the year and will give people yet another reason to come into Northampton and to keep coming back in the new year."

The official Christmas launch celebrations begin at 2pm on Saturday with music, entertainment and virtual visits from Father Christmas, who will beam in live from the North Pole.

Just before 5pm, Strictly Come Dancing's Brian Fortuna, starring as Aladdin in Royal & Derngate's panto, will switch on the thousands of lights on the Market Square's 60ft tree.

Chairman of the Northampton Town Centre Business Improvement District (BID), Stephen Chown said: "We welcome this news.

THAT'S THE SPIRIT: Stephen Chown

"Businesses have worked together to provide more than 100 trees and lights to make the town sparkle and attract people to visit the great shops, restaurants and theatres that Northampton has to offer."

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On board with buses scheme

BY LAWRENCE JOHN
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AN extra £3 million is set to be invested to support the creation of Northampton's new bus station.

The town's Borough Council cabinet members yesterday discussed a report recommending investing the £3m to support £8m of funding already agreed for the scheme by West Northamptonshire Development Corporation (WNDC).

The new facility is seen by many as an important part of the future development of the town and essential as part of the work to regenerate and improve the town centre.

Leader of Northampton Borough Council, Councillor David Mackintosh, said: "It is fantastic to see these plans coming forward and real progress being made.

"Our intention is to create a modern new site that is welcoming, bright, safe and clean and brings passengers right into the heart of our town.

"This will replace the existing Greyfriars bus depot that costs taxpayers almost half-a-million pounds a year to maintain.

"We will be discussing how this additional contribution from the borough council could make all the difference in not just providing something that is acceptable but something that will make a real difference in improving our town for residents and visitors alike."

NEW START: Greyfriars bus station

The project is being delivered by Northampton Borough Council, Northamptonshire County Council and WNDC.

Leader of the borough council's Labour Group, Cllr Lee Mason added: "I fully support the borough council giving £3m for the new bus interchange as this will help to secure the regeneration of our town centre.

"We really need a modern bus facility if the proposed Grosvenor Centre is to have any chance of becoming a success."

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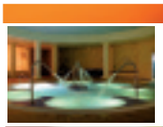
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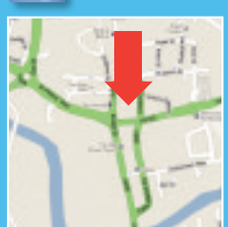

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BURGLARS TARGET DESIGNER TOGS

THIEVES stole thousands of pounds worth of designer clothes during a burglary.

The incident happened at Clues Menswear in College Street Mews, Northampton, at around 2.40am on Wednesday, November 16.

Three men entered the building by removing the rear security gate and forcing their way through a window.

An alarm was activated but the offenders made off with a number of items including brands such as Diesel and Fred Perry.

BOY COMES OFF MOPED IN CRASH

A TEENAGER suffered serious injuries following a road traffic collision.

It happened in Rowtree Road, East Hunsbury, Northampton, at around 8pm last Thursday.

The moped ridden by the 16-year-old youth was in collision with a Vauxhall Astra travelling in the opposite direction.

The teen, from the Upton area of the town, was taken to Northampton General Hospital.

CHURCH'S FESTIVE EFFORTS

PARK Avenue Methodist Church is holding a Christmas Bazaar on Saturday from 10am to 1pm.

There will be a number of stalls along with musical entertainment and refreshments.

The church, in Park Avenue North, Northampton, has decided to recruit a staff member to work with children in the community and proceeds from this and some future events will go towards the cost of this project.

RIDER AND PASSENGER INJURED

A MOTORCYCLIST and his passenger suffered serious injuries in a crash. It happened in Great Billing, Northampton, just before 1am on Saturday.

The rider, travelling in the direction of Billing Mill towards Billing Aquadrome, lost control of his bike motorcycle in The Causeway area.

The bike, a Honda CBR1000 model, struck a kerb and came to rest by the entry to the BP garage.

The rider was a 19-year-old man and his passenger a 17-year-old boy, both from the town.

MAN TALKED DOWN FROM ROOF

A CAR park was closed after a man threatened to jump from its roof.

Police were called to St John's in Northampton town centre last Thursday after they received reports around noon.

As a result, the car park and some roads were cordoned off as a precautionary measure.

After four hours of negotiations, officers successfully brought the man down to safety.

HURT PATIENTS FLOWN TO HOSPITAL

A WOMAN of 96 was airlifted to hospital on Monday after falling down the stairs of her home in the Weedon Bec area.

She suffered an open fracture to her ankle and a badly bruised and cut eye.

The Warwickshire & Northamptonshire Air Ambulance (WNAA) was called in by the land crew from West Midlands Ambulance Service due to the severity of her injuries and the distance to University Hospital Coventry & Walsgrave.

In a separate case a man was airlifted to hospital with severe burns after a welding accident in the south of Northampton last Wednesday.

The 50-year old was injured when a rag caught alight, engulfing his face in flames and causing severe burns to his face and neck.

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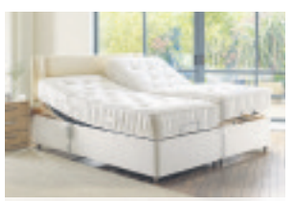

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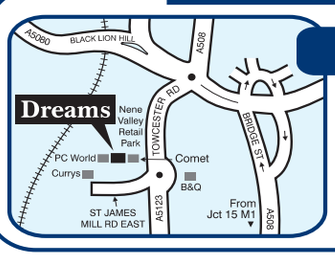

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Friends and family gather a year on to remember Adil

BY SOPHIE SCOTT
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FAMILY and friends of murdered schoolboy Adil Basharat congregated to remember him on the anniversary of his death.

At a memorial in Wolverton Mill on Monday afternoon, 100 of the 16-year-old's closest friends and family came together to talk about him.

Adil ***(pictured)***, from Milton Keynes, was stabbed with a broken golf club outside Kingsbrook School, in Deanshanger, on November 19 last year, in a case of mistaken identity.

His sister, Sobia, read a poem she wrote for him and remembered times she spent with her brother.

She said: "We had a low roof on our house and he would come out of his window and sit on it so we could talk to each other.

"When I went to uni he sent me a text asking me not to go because he would be alone.

"I was really blessed to have him in my life and I don't think I have seen other siblings who have a bond like us.

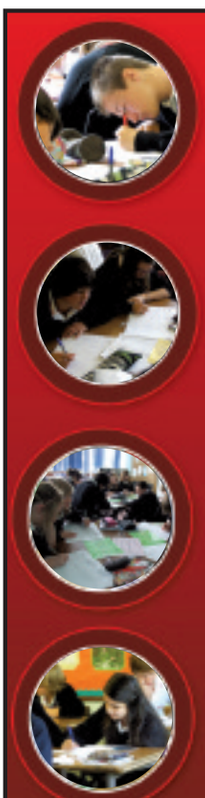
"Every day is a struggle to cope."

Adil's girlfriend, Nisha Patel, sang 'I'm Like A Bird' by Nelly Furtado, a song she was supposed to sing for Children in Need on the day Adil was attacked.

Adam Moore, 20, was found guilty at Northampton Crown Court in August of murdering Adil Basharat. He will serve a minimum of 16 years in prison.

Freddy Wilson, 20, Jake Batten, 22, both from Deanshanger and Daniel Anderson, 20, from Stony Stratford were found not guilty of murder and manslaughter, but convicted of violent disorder. They were each sentenced to three years in prison.

Moore, from Cosgrove, was also sentenced to three years for violent disorder, which will run currently with his jail term for murder.



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Cop dog Guinness sniffs out drink-drive suspect

A GERMAN shepherd dog called Guinness led police to a driver believed to have crashed his car into New Duston Post Office who was later arrested on suspicion of drink driving.

The incident happened on Port Road just before 4am on Sunday.

A silver BMW smashed into the window of the post office and the driver left the scene.

Dog handlers and police dog Guinness were called to the scene to search for the suspect.

Guinness *(pictured right)* led officers to the address of a man, 38, who was arrested on suspicion of drink-driving.

He has now been charged and is due to appear at Northampton Magistrates' Court on Monday, December 12.

Officers carried out a scene guard at the post office until 8.30am on Monday to secure the premises.

The car will be removed from the site once structural engineers have assessed the damage to the building.

Officers hit the streets to highlight alcohol dangers

BY JONATHAN REILLY
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POLICE officers were out and about in Northampton to educate people on the dangers of alcohol.

Northamptonshire Police spoke to 300 folk on Saturday night at a mobile police station on Abington Street.

They discussed preventing becoming a victim of crime on a night out and to encourage them to behave and drink responsibly.

NHS Northamptonshire also took part in the event to raise awareness about health risks as a result of drinking.

Footage from police head cams and some real life stories about the tragic consequences of drink fuelled violence were also played on a screen for passers-by to view as a warning.

Officers talked through the footage and handed out bottles of water and mints which displayed some very important messages.

Sergeant Ali Quinn said: "We received some excellent feedback from members of the public who were impressed to see us engaging with people in this way.

"We were pleased to learn that the majority of women we spoke to appeared to have pre-booked taxis to ensure a safe journey home. We offered advice about using licensed taxis to those who hadn't and discussed the importance of staying with friends and sticking to busy, well lit areas.

"A couple of men mentioned they would be walking home on their own at the end of the night. This is concerning and we would remind people that whilst they might feel safe, actions such as this can make them more vulnerable and people should preferably travel home in a taxi.

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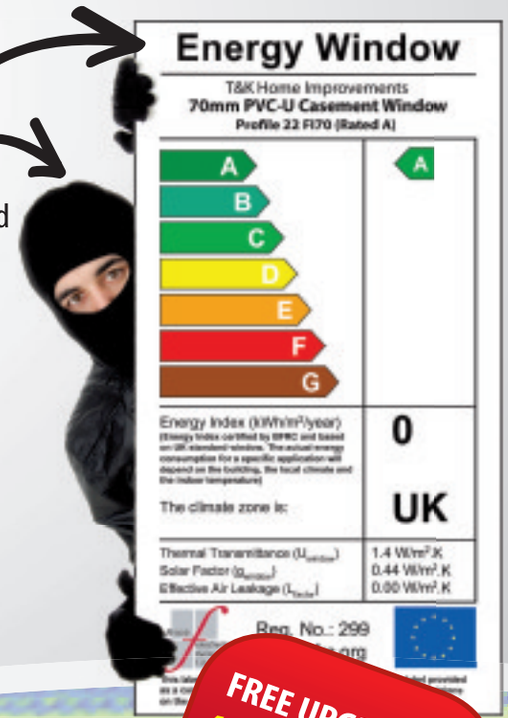

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Group overcome the odds to earn a bronze award

FIVE autistic students have beaten the odds to gain their Duke of Edinburgh bronze award.

Gary Woods and Dean Owen, 18, Jake Watkins, 19, and Christian Page, 20 were unable to attend mainstream school.

Instead they were accepted on to Northampton College's Moving On programme – a transitional course run in conjunction with the National Autistic Society to address students with Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and target associated social awareness issues. The five have now also completed one of the toughest UK youth challenges in just eight months.

Yesterday, they received a certificate from the principal for their outstanding achievement.

Moving On Course leader Jan Turner said: "The Moving On course is individually tailored to help students with ASD develop coping strategies to improve their skills in social awareness, teamwork and problem solving. These are the essential skills that will contribute to their future achievement and development.

"This is the first time students on the programme were entered into the Duke of Edinburgh Award. This group completed two very arduous expeditions, one supervised and one unaccompanied."

She added: "Two years ago these individuals would not have been capable of engaging with these high end skills so this is truly exceptional."

Modern facility is a winner for learners

BY JODIE PARSONS
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A COLLEGE library has scooped a top award after being put at the heart of the curriculum.

Northampton College has won a prestigious Association of Colleges (AoC) Beacon Award for the Effective Integration of Libraries/Learning Resources Centres in Curriculum Delivery.

It had recognised that information and study skills are important for students but the national picture showed that they were in short supply.

Realising the benefits of putting the library into the heart of the curriculum it now has new, purpose built facilities to support students' development in this area.

The award-winning programme, delivered by the library staff, aims to equip students with the skills for independent learning.

The state-of-the-art facility has been built to accommodate all learning styles with areas for quiet study, group study and IT access.

In addition to their curriculum subjects, students are being taught about presentations, plagiarism, effective revision plus many other generic skills relevant for their learning.

More than 4,000 students have benefited from an extensive programme of information and study skills development that helped them hone their research techniques and writing skills during the last four years.

Principal Len Closs said: "We are incredibly proud to have won this prestigious national award.

"Our library is at the heart of our iconic new building at Booth Lane in terms of its design, facilities and services and we will continue to work hard to ensure our library resources enable students to excel in their personal development and studies."

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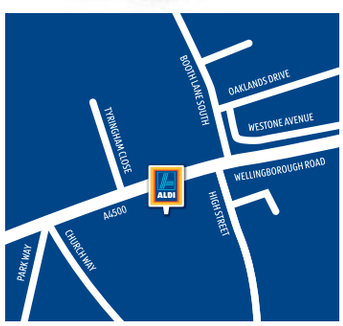

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Young bookworms in control of libraries

BY LAWRENCE JOHN
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FIVE children from across the county have started taking over their libraries.

Northamptonshire County Council ran a competition with young users asking them what they would say to someone who is not a library member to convince them about what their local service could do for them.

The youngsters were asked to either draw a picture or explain in words why they value their facility.

The prize was a £15 book token and the opportunity to take charge of their local library.

Five winners aged between five and 11 were picked by a team of judges.

Ellie Mae Andrews, nine, was in control at Central Library in Northampton on Tuesday afternoon (*pictured*).

Her winning entry included the messages – 'Libraries are full of fun and that's why you should come' and 'Libraries are awesome and are cool'.

Charlie Raith and Lauren Walton, both aged eight, have chosen to work in Duston Library.

Charlie will take over on Thursday, December 1 from 3.45pm and Lauren on Saturday, December 10 from 10am. Kyla Mateer, ten, has chosen to be in charge of Far Cotton Library on Saturday, December 3 from noon, while Suryaudit Prasad, five, the youngest winner, elected to run Corby Library.

Cabinet member for customer services, Councillor Heather Smith said: "It's great these children took part in the competition and demonstrated that they value their libraries so highly.

"We already have many committed people who volunteer in the county's libraries but these five must be our youngest volunteers yet.

"They have all jumped at the chance to get behind the scenes and help run their local libraries."

Each of the participants will be issued with an official badge while they are on duty and will take part in a variety of activities including choosing new books to buy, adding books on to the system, helping people to use the self-serve machines and creating displays.

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Super sales woman Shirley shifts three new homes in under six hours

Shirley McLeod

SUPER Shirley McLeod is celebrating a hat-trick of new home sales in less than six hours at her Rushden Fields development in Northamptonshire.

She has worked for Bellway since October 2007 and said: "This is a very attractive development where we have a wide variety of house types to suit a range of family sizes.

"Everyone who visits us comments on the show homes which are absolutely stunning and with prices starting from £99,995 it is tempting a lot of first time buyers who have previously been renting."

Sales director, Chris Edginton, added: "The Rushden Fields development has always proved popular, however three sales in six hours is exceptional. With 12 different property types to choose from, plus numerous schemes to assist purchasers to buy, we believe we have something for everyone."

Buyers at Bellway's Rushden Fields development can select from one and two bedroom apartments from £99,995, three bedroom homes from £144,995 and four bedroom homes from £159,995.

Miranda battles back to take 'Newcomer' crown

A WOMAN who leads a group of slimming clubs has scooped an award.

Miranda Menzies, the Rosemary Conley Diet and Fitness Clubs franchisee in Northampton, Kettering and Corby District was honoured with the title of the company's top Newcomer of the Year 2011 Award after beating off competition from many of the 170 franchisees nationwide.

Rosemary Conley, CBE, presented Ms Menzies, who has been running the franchise since January, with her award, along with a cheque for £500.

Rosemary is the UK's foremost diet and fitness expert who celebrated her 40th anniversary in the industry last month.

Her diet and fitness clubs first launched in 1993.

She said: "The Newcomer of the Year Award is presented to a new franchisee who has achieved the best performance in the last 12 months.

"This year's award winner is a true professional. Her enthusiasm and passion is endless and her success is down to her drive to provide exceptional customer service.

"Miranda previously ran a very successful franchise but had to sell it six years ago when she had a brain haemorrhage and very nearly died.

"Her fitness levels stood her in good stead and amazingly she made a full recovery.

"As soon as she recovered, Miranda was desperate to rejoin the network and was delighted when she heard that her old area was up for sale again.

"Miranda's business continues to flourish and grow at a rapid pace." Ms Menzies added: "I am thrilled to receive the Newcomer of the Year 2011 Award. Running a Rosemary Conley Diet and Fitness Club is incredibly rewarding and it is a terrific achievement to receive this award.

"Rosemary Conley's formula for losing weight the healthy way – low fat eating combined with exercise – is the best possible way for people to slim down and stay slim."

Gill Butcher, the franchisee in Northampton North and West, who, after shedding ten stone was the first place Rosemary Conley Diet & Fitness magazine Slimmer of the Year 2009, was shortlisted as a finalist in the award scheme.

SUCCESS: Miranda Menzies with Rosemary Conley

It's time . . . for a revamp

A PUB has called last orders while it undergoes a £300,000 makeover, creating 30 new jobs.

The Whitehills in Lumbertubs Lane, Northampton shut on November 14 and will re-open on Friday, December 2.

There will be new jobs, full and part-time, in the bar, restaurant and kitchen. A recruitment day was held last week. As part of the revamp the premises is joining the Flaming Grill, a new brand from the Spirit Pub Company.

John O'Donnell, general manager of The Whitehills, said: "We are so excited to be joining the Flaming Grill brand and are determined to see the pub through to a new era of success with an improved team.

"We will be investing a great deal of time in training the team so that we get off to a flaming good start."

Diner's sporting success

A NEW restaurant has been officially opened by a sports team.

The Harvester Salad & Grill at Riverside Retail Park, Northampton, was officially opened by members of Northampton Hockey Club on Tuesday, November 8.

The facility has created 50 jobs and offers freshly prepared and great value meals for all the family.

Manager Marc Watkins said: "We're delighted that Bedford Hockey Club agreed to officially open our new restaurant, especially as Harvester recently became the official sponsor of the England Hockey Board.

"This is a fantastic site for a new Harvester and the warm and welcoming atmosphere we've created here is already proving popular with local people."

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Some of the team at the new site

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Prisons aim to rid cells of drugs

BY LAWRENCE JOHN
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A ZERO-tolerance approach to cracking down on drugs getting into prisons has been launched.

Operation Shark is a joint prison and police initiative aimed at stopping drugs getting into jails.

Northamptonshire Police is working in partnership with HMP Onley and HMP Rye Hill to prevent illegal substances entering its premises and getting into the hands of its inmates.

The use and supply of illegal drugs in prisons is linked to the level of violence recorded within its walls.

Visitors are often put in the position of being asked or forced to bring drugs into the facility when visiting family and friends.

They risk imprisonment themselves by feeding the habits of drug users or making money for known drug suppliers that are behind bars.

As this is not acceptable, Her Majesty's Prison Service and the county force are working together to adopt this zero-tolerance approach to those who attempt to supply illegal drugs.

Officers from the Daventry Rural Safer Community Team will be conducting high-profile patrols at both prisons.

They will be on the lookout for any visitors trying to smuggle drugs or goods.

All visitors will be handed an information sheet explaining what can happen to them if they are caught trying to supply inmates with drugs.

This includes being refused entry, being banned from future visits, being arrested and dealt with by the police, having their home and vehicles searched and if visiting with a child, social services being informed.

Sikh youngsters record heritage

AN exhibition from the Sikh community has gone on show.

Punjabi Fusion is a one year project that has been run by the Sikh Community Centre & Youth Club (SCCYC) in partnership with Young Roots Heritage Lottery Fund, Northampton Borough Council and heritage partners.

Young people have been exploring the cultural history of the community over the past six decades on themes such as daily life, clothing and music, and recording their thoughts on how the culture has altered with exposure to British customs with the 'fusion' of past and present.

The youth club have also recorded the older people's memories to find out about how, why and when they came to the UK and their experiences.

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Since winning a scholarship to the Royal College of Music at the age of 16, his phenomenally successful musical career has taken him all over the world, produce critically acclaimed recordings and collaborate with an extraordinary array of musicians, including Elton John.

Lloyd Webber is perfect for Elgar's Cello Concerto – his outstanding recording with Yehudi Menuhin and the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra (RPO) won a BRIT Award and was chosen as the finest ever recording of the Concerto by BBC Music Magazine.

Also, in 2009 he was elected president of the Elgar Society in recognition of his lifelong devotion to Elgar's music.

The Cello Concerto is considered to be the last great flowering of Elgar's genius and is widely regarded as one of the most popular concertos of all time.

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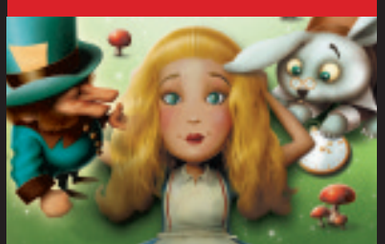
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The Bradshaw Street site, in Northampton town centre, is set to be demolished to make way for a new bus station. The Open Exhibition was selected by Anthony Spira, director of MK Gallery, and Darren Banks, an artist based in Northamptonshire who had a solo exhibition at the Fishmarket in May.

More than 100 works were submitted and the judges have selected works by artists young and old, local and further afield, students, amateurs and professionals. Mr Spira said: "It has been a pleasure to head the panel of judges for the Fishmarket's Open Exhibition this year.

"It was great to see such a diverse range of applicants for what promises to be an enjoyable final exhibition."

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Grotto will offer some festive fun

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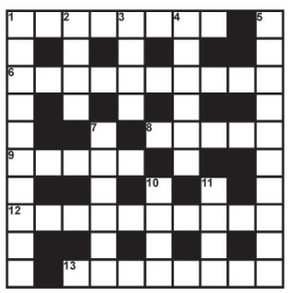

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1.Citings (10)
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Find the words: Up, down, forwards, backwards, straight or diagonal. This week: Ball games: *Squash, Tennis, Ping pong, Rugby, Soccer, Golf, Croquet, Bowls, Boules, Skittles, Lacrosse, Shinty, Hockey, Pelota, Pool, Netball, Hurling, Polo, Snooker, Rounders*

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MATCH FIVE

Amongst all the five letter words, can you find the five that appear in both grids? (Forwards, backwards, up, down, straight or diagonal)

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Use all the numbers and signs to make the star total. Do calculations in strict order from left to right with no brackets - eg 7+6x2-1÷1=25

Last week: 6 ÷ 2 + 3 x 9 – 2 = 52

G BRAIN L
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How many words of four letters or more can you make? No plurals, proper names or foreign words. All must include the centre letter. Good: 15 Maestro: 20+

ANSWER: BRAIN STRAIN
LONGINGLY, Gill, Gilly, Ging, Ginny, Going, Golly, Gong, Ling, Lingo, Lingy, Login, Logy, Long, Longing, Longly, Lying, Nigly, Nogg, Noggin, Ogling, Yogi, Yogin &???

ANSWER: MATCH FIVE
TREAT, RATIO, TORSO, ROAST, PLANE

Breakfast club

– with Heart FM's Stuart and Natalie

LEGENDARY funny man John Cleese joined us on Heart Breakfast.

He is promoting the DVD of his 'Alimony Tour'. We asked him how he found being back on stage.

John said: "I spent so long in television studios, for about 35 years, it's all I did. I started in theatre but apart from the Amnesty and the Python shows, I hadn't been on stage that long.

"I love the immediacy of theatre because if you have a joke in a movie it's about two years later you discover if it's funny or not.

"On stage you find out straight away and the nice thing is you can fix it and change it and then the next night you might get more of a laugh. So it's a like a comic experiment going on."

We asked whether he was a perfectionist when it came to recording the DVD.

John said: "Absolutely, you see movies you can re-do bits but on TV, like when we were doing Monty Python, we only had two hours to do the whole thing and if you asked to do things again, everyone got worried and looked at their watches.

"I always felt I tightened up in the dress rehearsal and wished they could tape that."

In true Heart Breakfast style, we played a game with John called 'Cough up and Cough Out', which he loved and you can hear it on our breakfast blog at http://www.heart.co.uk/fourcounties/on-air/breakfast/blog/breakfast-blog/.

You can also let us know whether you would like us to come and turn on your Christmas lights, you just need to give you us your reason and we'll pick one household as well as one runner up – where we'll be sending Producer Josh!

All we ask for is a mince pie (Natalie likes her pie warm!)

■ Stuart and Natalie present Heart Breakfast, Monday to Friday 6am - 10am on Heart 96.6 FM.

What'sOn24/7

Band to play a night of show tunes

MUSIC

NORTHAMPTON CONCERT BAND
The Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Sheep Street, Northampton
Saturday at 7.30pm

THE Platinum Award winning Northampton Concert Band will be performing a night of memorable show tunes all the way from Broadway to the West End.

The band is proud to welcome, from Southampton, the return of the sensational soprano singer Debbie Carless.

She said: "It's been a long time since I've performed with the band and it is an honour to be invited to sing with them again."

The 'Showtime Spectacular' concert will feature selections from popular favourites Les Miserables, Miss Saigon, The Lion King, Phantom of the Opera, The Sound of Music and more.

Musical director Stephen Bell said: "I am delighted that Debbie is available to join the band so soon after we celebrated 90 years of entertaining audiences across Northamptonshire and beyond.

"Our programme will have the audience toe tapping and singing along to this wonderful band playing these well known show tunes."

Tickets are £8, from St Giles Music, by calling 01604 403971 or emailing concerts@northamptonconcertband.org.uk

Orchestra strikes up to follow James's snowy adventure

MUSIC

NORTHAMPTON CONCERT ORCHESTRA
United Reformed Church, Abington Avenue, Northampton
Saturday, December 10 at 7.30pm

AN orchestral performance of the well known children's story The Snowman will be the main feature of this year's Christmas concert given by the Orchestra. The Snowman centres on the adventures and friendship of a little boy called James with a snowman which comes to life overnight.

The group will be joined by treble soloist Alex Coe and pianist Glen March.

Charles Bennett will narrate.

The programme will also include Humperdinck's Hansel & Gretel Overture, Quilter's Children's Overture, Charrosin's Snow Flakes and will conclude with a performance of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs by Frank Churchill.

It will also include solos by March and Christmas carols for audience participation.

Tickets are £6, from St Giles Music in Northampton or on the door.

Off to Neverland to celebrate 80th year

THEATRE

PETER PAN
The Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Sheep Street, Northampton
November 29 to December 2 at 7.30pm and December 3 at 2.30pm and 7.30pm

Captain Hook and Peter Pan

MASQUE Theatre is about to stage one of its most ambitious productions as part of the group's 80th anniversary celebrations.

J M Barrie's classic tale Peter Pan will see Masque's youth and senior group combine to stage the play.

Masque chairman, Rob Kendall, said: "Masque Theatre and Youth Theatre have operated side by side for many years but as part of our 80th anniversary celebrations the two companies are working together on this wonderful story of a boy who never wanted to grow up. It offers a great chance for the youngsters to learn from older members and vice versa."

The cast of more than 30 range in age from teenagers to senior citizens, with Masque youth member Chloe McKoy as Pan locking horns with Masque stalwart, Fraser Haines, as Captain Hook.

Director, Richard Jordan said: "It's been a privilege working with such a talented cast. The play provides many challenges but I'm pretty sure we've come up with an exciting and innovative way to make Peter Pan and the Darling children fly."

The story begins in the Darlings' bedroom in 19th century London but the action soon moves to Neverland where Captain Jaz Hook leads a group of pirates in his battles with Peter Pan and the Lost Boys.

All your favourite characters from the story are in the show, including Tiger Lily, Mr Smee, Nana the nursemaid dog and Tinkerbell the fairy.

Tickets are £9 for adults, £7 concessions, £5 for children or a family ticket is £25 (two adults/two children) and can be prebooked on 01604 472020 or by email on tickets@masquetheatre.co.uk or in person from The Works in Adnitt Road.

Original works set to go up on display

ART

CHRISTMAS EXHIBITION
Towcester Town Hall, Watling Street, Towcester
Saturday 9am to 5pm and Sunday 10am to 4.30pm

THIS show from the Towcester & District Art Society will see more than 200 original art works on display as well as exclusive greetings cards for sale.

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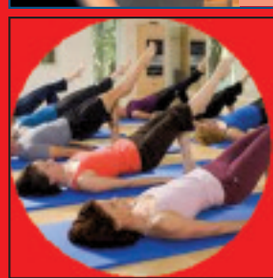

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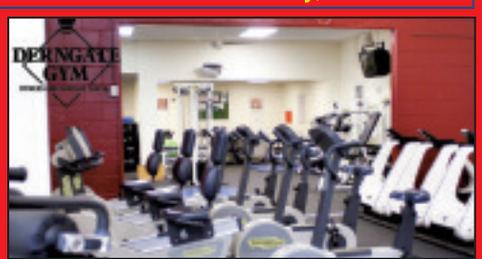

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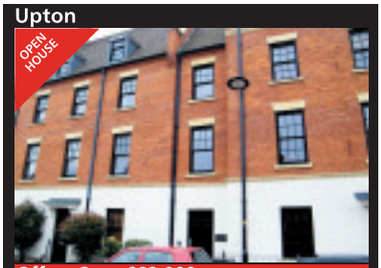

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- Garage

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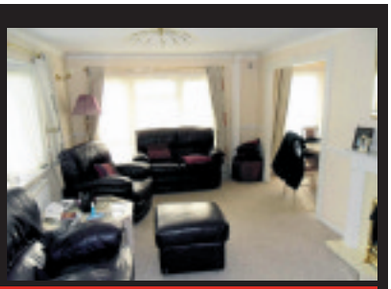

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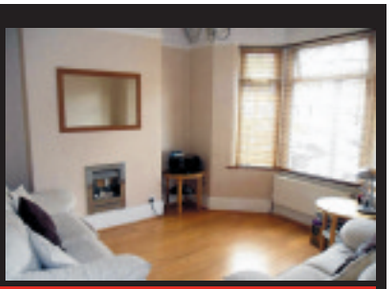

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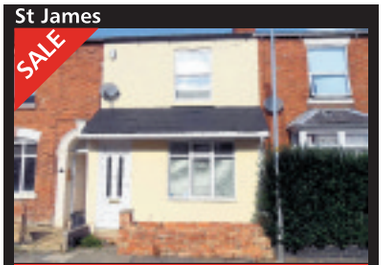

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- Utility
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SALE

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- WC
- Lounge/ Diner
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Front & Rear Garden

Grange Park

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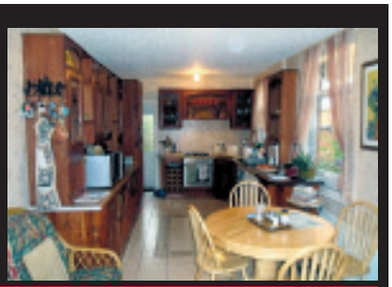

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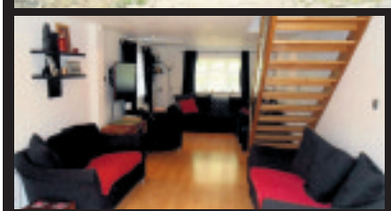

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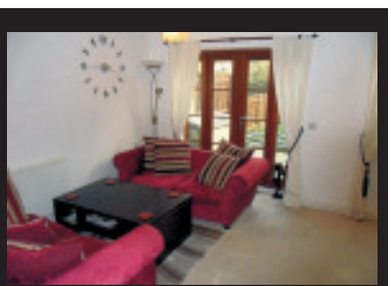

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W Grose celebrates launch of Astra GTC

LOCAL Vauxhall retailer W Grose is excited to announce the arrival of the brand new and stunning Vauxhall Astra GTC which is due to hit the showroom on Saturday.

The retailer, with two sites in Northampton located in Queens Park Parade and Cliftonville, is making room for this highly anticipated new car which unites dramatic styling, innovative design and performance-enhancing features for motorists who value the way a car handles and performs as much as the way it looks.

Chris Golsby, marketing specialist at W Grose, said: "The great thing about Vauxhall is the brand's capability to produce innovative new designs time and again and the new Astra GTC is certainly no exception.

"Staff and customers alike have been eagerly awaiting this new model and we can't wait for it to arrive in the showroom on Saturday.

"With such a high-profile car being launched, we are sure that many of our customers will be keen to come and have a look at the new model and soak up the buzz surrounding its ground-breaking designs and unbelievable style."

What's more, the new Astra GTC is now more affordable to every motorist as W Grose is offering this amazing new car on the highly competitive Flexible Finance offer which provides customers with the opportunity to pay as little as zero deposit for a brand new Vauxhall and select a payment term anywhere between 24 to 60 months.

Available until December 19 this innovative offer from Vauxhall means that motorists in Northampton could, for example, drive away the anticipated Astra GTC for less than £260 a month with a £3,000 deposit.

And, with 0 per cent APR, customers on current finance schemes could end up paying less for their brand new Astra GTC than they pay for their existing model.

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Mr Golsby added: "We are proud to be able to offer our customers such great value on this desirable new model at a time when people are looking to spend less on what they consider to be luxury items, especially in the run-up to Christmas.

"Flexible Finance allows our customers to choose how much they pay per month, paying only what they can afford and still owning the car at the end of the payment term.

"Plus, all our new cars in the Vauxhall range automatically come with a warranty which could now last a lifetime."

Available to the first owner of all new Vauxhall cars, the warranty is valid for the lifetime of the vehicle up to a maximum of 100,000 miles.

For more information on the new Astra GTC or the Flexible Finance offer, call W Grose at Kingsthorpe on 01604 712525 or Cliftonville 01604 795004 or visit www.wgrose.co.uk

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Model shown Astra GTC SRi 2.0CDTi 16v Start/Stop with front and rear parking distance sensors £385, LED rear lights £115 and 20" five-spoke alloy wheels £1,000. Total cost £23,930. Finance provided by Vauxhall Finance, a trading style of GMAC UK plc, PO Box 6666, Cardiff, CF15 7YT. Finance is subject to status, terms and conditions. Applicants must be 18 years or over. Offer applies to private individuals, Vauxhall Partners and small businesses 1-24 (purchase only excluding B2B). All other customers are excluded. Vauxhall Lifetime Warranty covers lifetime ownership of first registered keeper, 100,000 mile limit. Terms and conditions apply. ^Customer deposit shown after deduction of Vauxhall contribution.

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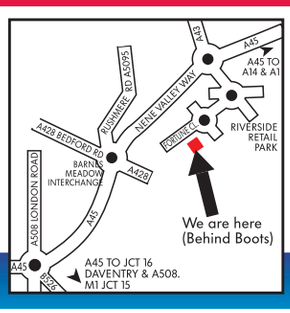

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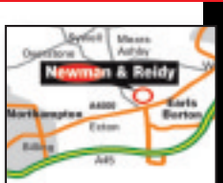

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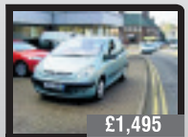

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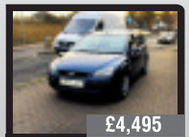

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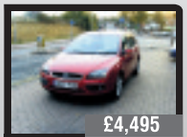

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£6,995
04 04 MERCEDES CLK AUTO CDI SCN, MET GOLD, CREAM LEATHER, AC, CD PLAYER, ALLOYS

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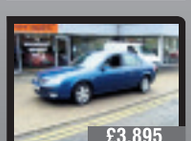

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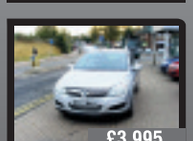

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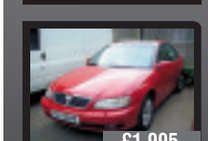

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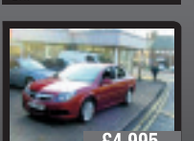

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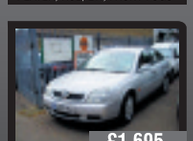

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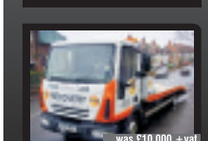

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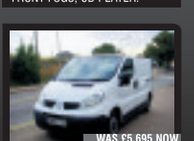

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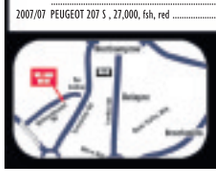

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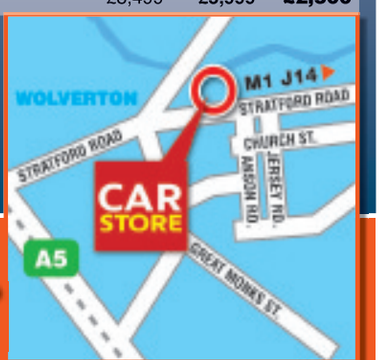

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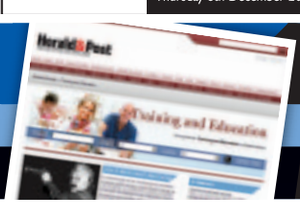

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APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

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N/2011/1148 **32 Gold Street** – Two banners at end of tables. Within a Conservation Area.

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N/2011/1134 **34 York Road** - Change of use from retail (use class A1) to Thai Spa Massage Clinic (use class D1). Within a Conservation Area.

N/2011/1123 **12 Christchurch Road** - Single storey rear extension, rear dormer extension, ground and first floor bay windows at front, rendering of front elevation. Within a Conservation Area.

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Susan Bridge, Head of Planning
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NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (PATTISHALL ROAD, BUGBROOKE) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

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REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during bridge examination works.

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Dated this 24th day of November 2011
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PKG/T11/195

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ATHLETICS

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This year's event was held at Aldersley in Wolverhampton and for once the R&N squad didn't have to rely on any athlete over the age of 40, with the winning quartet all being in their 30s.

Leading the way yet again was Jo Pulsford whose time of 35 mins 28 secs gave her eighth place and she had terrific back up with her three team mates all making the top 20.

Daisy Melville finished in 14th spot with 37.08 followed by Maree Jesson 30 seconds later in 18th position and closing off the team was Alison Cooper in 38.13 for 19th place.

Although Alison Lavender, of Oswestry Olympians, won the race in 32.24 it wasn't enough for her club to overhaul the R&N Ladies, who finished eight points ahead of them to take the trophy.

Meanwhile, the Men's team took victory in the opening race of the Birmingham Cross Country League Division Two at Leamington's Newbold Comyn. The club had six runners in the top 32 with Stuart Nelson and Chris Lamb leading the way to clinch a top ten place.

The course consisted of a three lap 10k course, which included a steep hill on each lap and 2010 club champion Nelson was back on form after missing every league race last season to cross the line in an excellent eighth place.

Chasing him home, Lamb had the best run of his life to finish in tenth position and will run only one more race before concentrating on the indoor season.

Junior Luke Robinson continued his form from last season to claim 16th spot and the reigning Veteran club champion Greg Spellman led home the M40 athletes once again to finish in 29th place.

Perez was the club champion last time R&N competed in Division Two and, now aged 35, he turned out for the club again to claim a creditable 31st position, but had to work hard to hold off veteran John Gercs who was one place behind to complete the scoring six.

Their 42 point victory now sets up R&N for their home fixture at Abington Park on Saturday, December 3, where they will hope to increase their lead to put them on course for the Division Two Championship.

The B team also took victory and consisted of four club stalwarts that have all completed over 50 league races. Brendan Moen led them home in 57th place followed by team manager Vince Carroll in 61st spot.

Making his debut in the league was recently joined Seb Palmer, who ran well to finish 72nd. Coming home next were Terry Egan (78th) and Brian Summers (104th). Closing off the B team was Neil Willsher in 124th place.

Purcell aiming to factor in new manager's plans

FOOTBALL

TADHG Purcell is hoping to force his way back into the reckoning at Northampton Town after making his first competitive appearance for the Cobblers in over 14 months on Saturday.

The Irish striker had been packed off on loan to former club Darlington and deemed surplus to requirements by then-manager Gary Johnson after recovering from a knee injury that sidelined him for most of last season.

He was named as a substitute against Shrewsbury Town by caretaker boss Dave Lee at the weekend and came on in the second half. Unfortunately though, it ended in a 7-2 defeat for Northampton, but Purcell was pleased to be back.

He said: "It was good to be back involved, but to be involved in a defeat like that – I don't think I ever have been involved in a defeat like that. It was a bitter pill to swallow, but you have to look at the positives.

"Personally it's just getting back really. When you're down and out then just to be back and involved is the perspective you have when you have been out injured for so long. The perspective the boys have is a different one, but we need to stick together.

"There has been a lot of speculation about managers coming in, but at the same time players have to take responsibility that when they cross the white line it is up to them.

"There could be lots of different managers that could come in, but we need to play for each other first of all and then play for the manager."

Lee has since left the club with Tim Flowers taking over the caretaker role until a permanent replacement for Johnson is appointed, and Purcell is aiming to make an impact on whoever that might be.

The winger-cum-striker, who was signed by Ian Sampson in the summer of 2010, admitted he was never completely sure why Johnson decided not to give him a chance, but bears no malice towards him. Purcell explained: "When I came back from Darlington we played Reading on the Tuesday in the reserves, came on for 15-20 minutes and scored two, and was then told the next day that I wouldn't be given a chance here.

"He told me straight to my face and I respect him for that. Managers have the players they want and sometimes it can happen.

"I'm old enough and I've been around long enough to know that, and you just move on.

"He has moved out now so hopefully I can make an impression on whoever comes in, but I'm not going to hold it against anybody.

"I think there were a few different factors for him and I don't think I was really told what it was – I think he was talking around the edges – but at the end of the day he made his choice and we move on.

"You never know, Gary Johnson could come back into my life or I could come into his. He's a manager and I'm a player, and it didn't work out at that time. I look beyond it now though."

Purcell aims to be involved again on Saturday when the Cobblers head to Devon to take on League Two bottom side Plymouth Argyle, and believes it is up to the players to help Northampton climb away from the wrong end of the table.

He said: "It's amazing how things turn, we were speaking about promotion not long ago and now we're down in it. But the players have to stick together and it is really about the players.

"You can talk about the manager all you want, but we really have to play for each other and I think it's about time we had a few home truths in there.

"You won't get out of it unless you work and that's something we need to do, and if the new manager comes in and sees that work rate then you'll be in his plans.

"People have a chance on Saturday to put the wrongs from out there right."

PLEASED TO BE BACK: Tadhg Purcell is hoping to back in the Cobblers' squad after being overlooked by now departed manger Gary Johnson

Wanyama uses career lessons to teach the next generation

BOXING

FRANCO Wanyama has been there, seen and done most of it during his amateur and professional boxing career. Now the former Commonwealth cruiserweight champ is passing on his knowledge to Kings Heath ABC's up and coming pugilists.

After a glittering amateur career in his homeland of Uganda and across Africa, Wanyama turned pro – sharing a ring with the likes of Carl 'The Cat' Thompson and Jonny Nelson, as well as serving as sparring partner for the Klitschko brothers.

He spent most of his professional career fighting out of Belgium, but now lives in Rugby where a chance meeting with one of the club's coaches led to the 43-year-old coming over to Northampton to help out at Kings Heath alongside head coach Arthur Daly.

Wanyama explains: "When I was jogging in the morning I would see him in his van shadow boxing, and it would make me feel lively on my jogging.

"He inspired me because in my head it said 'someone is noticing you'. It gave me courage so if I was planning to run three miles that day then I would run five, and it was a bad day if I didn't see him.

"The first time I was here it took me back to all of the training I have been through in Russia, Germany – I saw the gym as exactly what I wanted.

"This is true boxing, and not only do they have a good trainer but they have a father figure. You don't only train the boys, but you teach them discipline. The boys are looking beautiful here. When I come here I feel rejuvenated. I feel young and that I could go back and box again. The boys make me so happy here."

Growing up in what many regard as the last great era of boxing, Wanyama was inspired by the middleweight quartet of Sugar Ray Leonard, Marvin Haggler, Thomas Hearns and Roberto Duran, with his dream being to join them in the Hall of Fame.

But in his homeland of Uganda, boxing was regarded as a sport for street children, and with Wanyama coming from a middle class family his father was against his son partaking in the sweet science.

Despite that, and having run-ins with a cheetah and a 'night dancer' – a Ugandan practitioner of witchcraft – on his late night training runs, the young man followed his dream and was crowned East and Central African Games champion on three occasions.

Further accolades followed in his professional career, with the highlight being stopping Tony Booth inside two rounds in 1994 to claim the Commonwealth belt.

Now he is helping Daly and his team shape the future of the next generation of champions, and believes that others will soon join those that have already come through Kings Heath.

"You can see the footwork, the dedication and how they throw their punches," said Wanyama. "This will get them somewhere. They are deter mined and they have a dream. If you're amateur, show the amateur skills – throw your punches the right way, show the footwork, bounce in and out, and they are the things that are here.

"You have to be able to show the kid how the punch goes, how you stand to throw the punch, which punch is effective.

"When you come here, Arthur is showing the kids why they have to throw the punch and how effective it is. I haven't seen that in a lot of other gyms I've been in.

"I give it two years and you will see what this gym is going to do – it is probably the best in England and we have very good boys here."

The club had two winners at the weekend, with Oliver Avill and Ryan Conway both earning unanimous decision points wins over their respective opponents.

Kings Heath coach James Conway has noted an improvement in Avill over the past two months, particularly with regards to his long straight shots.

That was in evidence again as the featherweight silence the crowd cheering on home favourite Tony Collins, of Sydenham ABC, in their contest.

With his victory over Thames Valley's Jake Kingham, Conway has now won his last ten fights in a row and once again produced another dominant performance.

Kingham was bloodied in the first round and given standing eight counts in the second and third, although he was allowed to continue to the final bell by the referee.

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Waller puts progression down to West's influence

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ALEX Waller has hailed the impact Northampton Saints forwards coach Dorian West has had on his career after stepping up from the club's Academy to become an established presence in the first team squad.

The prop is amongst a number of promising youngsters who are starting to emerge from the club's youth system, and has already racked up 33 appearances for the club since making his debut against the Ospreys in the LV= Cup just over two years ago.

Those have been mostly as a replacement, but at 21 years old he is still learning his trade. Nevertheless, his progress has been impressive and Waller was quick to put that down to West's influence.

"I don't think I'd be where I was if it wasn't for him bringing me through and investing some time in me," he said.

"He's brought my career on so I can't say enough about him. He's a fantastic coach and he's done the same thing for a lot of lads.

"He's even brought on some of the senior boys. We all work really hard on our technique and as a pack we pride ourselves on our scrummaging and set piece.

"That has come through him and the boys as well, but he has led that and it's fantastic to be a part of."

West has been credited with turning the Saints pack into one of the most feared in Europe, particularly when it comes to their scrummaging ability, and Waller has experienced his work on the training ground first hand.

He has also spent time working alone with the former England and Leicester Tigers hooker, saying: "It's just minor things like technique or we'll go over footage of where I've slipped up, so I'll just work on that.

Alex Waller eyes up Gloucester's Jonny May

"It's very small technical aspects that are very individual to me, and then as a group we look over our set piece together and work on it from there.

"He's bringing me along nicely and I'm learning every week. I'm getting game time every week, which I'm grateful for, and hopefully I can build on that and then start pushing Soane [Tonga'uiha] for his place.

"I'm still young and sometimes I've got to remember that if I get frustrated. I'm moving forward at a quick rate for a prop of my age, so I'm happy with how it's going and that I'm in the squad.

"I'm happy to be part of it because there's a great atmosphere and great things going down at the Saints."

Waller is hoping to again play some part on Saturday when defending Aviva Premiership champions Saracens visit Franklin's Gardens for the latest installment of what has become one of English rugby's fiercest rivalries.

He started against the Watford-based side earlier this season when the Saints overcame them 36-6 at home in the LV= Cup and is expecting a physical battle with both teams now at full strength.

"A lot of the boys look forward to that," said Waller. "They've got a big front row, a big pack and a physical back row, but then again so have we. It should be a good battle and a good match up front.

"It's always a massive game. Even when we played them in the LV= Cup it was a big game.

"We've built up that rivalry over the past few years in the Premiership and the LV= and it has been a good rivalry between us.

"It's a good atmosphere down at the Gardens when they come and they always play a fast game. They play a tough, physical game as well. It's interesting and it's good to play."

Double points Brazil finish to cap off best ever season

FORMULA ONE

DR VIJAY Mallya has hailed Force India's 2011 season as their "most complete yet" with the Silverstone-based team on course to secure sixth place in the Constructors Championship.

The Formula One season reaches its climax on Sunday with the Brazilian Grand Prix at Interlagos and Force India are all but certain of clinching their highest-ever team finish.

Both Paul di Resta and Adrian Sutil scored points in Abu Dhabi two weeks ago to take them a step closer to securing sixth, and team owner Mallya is delighted with their progress.

He said: "We've developed a car that has been strong in all areas and we've given some of the bigger teams a run for their money.

"I'm proud of what we have achieved, which is a testament to the dedication and commitment of all the team members.

"If we can secure sixth in the championship this weekend, it will be a key milestone in the history of this team because the competitiveness of the Formula One grid is as intense as I can remember."

However, he is wary of celebrating too soon, saying: "I still remember what happened last year when we missed out on sixth place by just one point.

"We certainly head to Brazil in a very strong position, but I've learned that you should never take anything for granted.

"Over the years Interlagos has delivered some spectacular racing action and I have no doubt we will see more of the same this year.

"It's a classic race on a calendar that presents plenty of challenges and I'm confident that we can maintain the form we showed in Abu Dhabi.

"After a long season I would love to sign off the year in style with both my cars in the points."

Sunday's race will also cap di Resta's rookie year and the British driver has impressed many observers with his performances in the team's VJM04 car.

He said: "The year has been incredible and I've enjoyed every moment. It's flown by really quickly and I can't believe we're at the last race of the season already.

"The standout moments for me were my first race in Melbourne and qualifying sixth for my first British Grand Prix.

"The atmosphere at Silverstone was so special – unlike anything I've ever experienced – and that's something I will always remember."

He has been in the points seven times so far this season, with a best result of sixth in Singapore, and is hoping to finish off 2011 with another points finish to help the team.

"It won't be any different to any other race," said di Resta: "Yes, we have a comfortable gap over Sauber and Toro Rosso in the championship, but we still need to be aggressive and keep pushing.

"Renault are not too far ahead of us, although catching them will require quite an unusual race and a bit of luck, too.

"We need to pick up where we left off in Abu Dhabi so that we can hopefully have another double points finish – that would be an excellent way to end the season."

Argyle clash a 'relegation six-pointer' warns Jacobs

FOOTBALL

NO-ONE ever wants their side to be involved in a relegation scrap – especially at the end of November – but that is exactly what Michael Jacobs feels Northampton Town face this Saturday at Plymouth Argyle.

Last weekend's crushing 7-2 defeat at home to Shrewsbury Town in the first match for the Cobblers since the departure of manager Gary Johnson meant they remain hovering just three points above the League Two relegation zone.

That led to caretaker, and Johnson's former assistant, Dave Lee departing the club on Tuesday. Goalkeeper coach Tim Flowers has since been placed in temporary charge and now has to prepare the side for Saturday's crunch clash.

No matter how bad things seem at Sixfields though, spare a thought for Argyle. On top of their well-publicised financial problems, they were eliminated from the FA Cup in a replay at Southern League side Stourbridge on Tuesday evening.

They also find themselves propping up the rest of the Football League with just nine points so far this season, and Jacobs *(pictured)* is well aware of the significance that the game at Home Park has for both teams.

"It's a nice pitch and a nice ground, and they're struggling as well so it will be a really big six pointer," he said.

"There are a lot of boys in the squad with a lot of quality, so hopefully we can go there, keep a steady back four and hopefully win the game.We've got to work hard this week and we've got to turn it around because at the minute we're looking at a relegation battle in November, and that's not good enough for this club."

What should have been a proud occasion for Jacobs last Saturday became a nightmare. The 21-year-old was named as captain due to John Johnson being suspended, and admitted he was honoured to take the armband.

But the Cobblers were 3-0 down at half time thanks to two goals from Mark Wright and one from Terry Gornell. Ben Tozer's free kick early in the second half renewed hope of a comeback, until Marvin Morgan added Shrewsbury's fourth.

Adebayo Akinfenwa's strike proved little consolation as James Collins, Joe Jacobson and a Kelvin Langmead own goal compounded a humiliating afternoon for the hosts, who suffered their worst home defeat since losing 8-0 against Walsall in 1947. Those prospective replacements for Johnson who were watching from the directors box would be forgiven for thinking they have a huge task on their hands to turn things around. Yet Jacobs does not believe it is as tough as it may appear.

He said: "Probably on this performance yes, but when you look at the quality in the team, the players that the old gaffer brought in and the players you've got here already you've got to look and think 'why?'

"Look at the players – some of them should be above this level and we're still producing performances like that. When you look at it you think 'what is going on?' and we've got to look at ourselves.

"You can blame the manager as much as you want, but as players we've got to look at ourselves. It was a really poor performance and the result showed it."

Midfielder Jacobs also refused to blame the uncertainty around the club at the moment for the abject showing, saying: "Everyone can give excuses, but I can't look at that as an excuse.

"You go out there wanting to win games. It doesn't matter who is in charge, the manager puts you out there as an 11. You've got to do a job and we didn't do that job.

"You can't use who is coming in as manager as an excuse because everyone is fighting for their place now.

"Everyone should put more effort in when you look at it, but it was just a disappointing day all round. Hopefully this week at Plymouth we can change it and turn it around."

Brother and sister top of the order

GOLF

WHITTLEBURY Golf Club's brother and sister duo Mitchell and Raynor Edwards made it a family affair in the Northamptonshire Junior Order of Merit after they both claimed top spot in their respective categories

County Under-18 squad member Mitchell won the boys section while Raynor, who is in the Elite Girls Academy, finished as the leading girl player.

The rankings – run by the Northamptonshire County Golf Partnership on behalf of the Northamptonshire Golf Union and Ladies Association of Golf Clubs – featured eight events for the boys and nine for the girls, including the Boys and Girls County Championships.

Events took place at Kingsthorpe GC, Peterborough Milton, Whittlebury Park, Brampton Heath, Staverton Park, Northants County, Kettering and Wellingborough.

Mitchell, 17, scored 161 points to hold off club mate Sam Henry at the top of the boys' gross competition, while Raynor, 12, led the way in the girls' gross listings with 177 points, with Thalia Martin of Peterborough Milton in second.

In the boys nett competition Silverstone's Alex Sexton came out on top with 103 points, with Whittlebury Park's Charlie Salter finishing runner-up.

Northampton's Victoria McCulley, 17, took top honours in the girls' nett competition, ahead of 15-year-old sister Harriet.

The girls are the granddaughters of Vera White, the past Captain and President of the Northamptonshire Ladies County Golf Association who has been a key figure in developing junior golf in the county.

The county also hosted a series of competitions at Brampton Heath Golf Club for players on the County Academy programme.

The order of merit was won by Edward Pritchard, who won the first of the three events, ahead of Ben Jones, who finished first in the final event. The second round was won by Hollie MacAllister, who was fourth overall.

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Foden hoping leaked report will be used in the right way

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BEN Foden admitted he was disappointed to see details of a confidential report from the Rugby Players' Association (RPA) into England's World Cup failure leaked in the national press, but believes that the findings will be used in the right way.

The players' union conducted anonymous interviews with the majority of the squad that were in New Zealand to get their feelings on events on and off the field that may have contributed to the quarter final exit at the hands of France.

Details from the report, along with those from RFU director of elite rugby Rob Andrew and from the professional clubs, were leaked in The Times on Wednesday, highlighting divisions in the squad and criticism of the coaches.

Northampton Saints' international full back Foden said: "I've seen it before, these things manage to slip out now and again. We know there's high scrutiny, but it's obviously disappointing because we thought it was confidential.

"But it's a report that is hopefully going to be used in the right way.

"Most of the things wouldn't make sense to a lot of people reading it in the paper, but to us as players, the RFU, management and coaches it does, and hopefully we can use it as a positive to make changes to those areas.

"It's a chance for the players to voice their opinions. They're going to be different with everybody and the RPA wanted to conduct the review, take everyone's opinion on board and then write their own appraisal to present to the RFU on how the tour went.

"It's disappointing that it has come out in the press, and everyone is going to pick at it and scrutinise it to the nth degree."

England's World Cup failure led to team manager Martin Johnson resigning last week, and speculation has been rife that Northampton director of rugby Jim Mallinder will be the man to replace him. Foden, who played under Mallinder at Sale Sharks before joining him at Franklin's Gardens in 2008, is not surprised that the former England Academy and Saxons coach has been linked with the vacant senior role.

Ben Foden celebrates his try against Leinster in the Heineken Cup

"He has done superb things during his coaching career and they'd be mad not to be looking at him," said the 26-year-old.

"Now the spot has opened up, with what he has done at Northampton Saints – he's an Englishman through and through as well, he has been capped.

"He's doing good things at Northampton and he did good things at Sale when he was there, so it's good respect for him.

"He has been involved with the RFU at the lower levels and with the Churchill Cup, so he fits the bill.

"As a Saints man, looking at it from a selfish point of view, you wouldn't want to lose him because the club want to keep Jim and what he is doing, and we all buy into it and know that he is taking the club places.

"As an England rugby player, you want the right people in charge at the top of the game and I can't really pick out many faults with Jim.

"As a coach, his man-management skills are fantastic and I definitely think he is tipped for the top."

But whatever headlines there may be surrounding the England team, Foden's focus is firmly on helping Northampton bounce back from two consecutive Heineken Cup defeats when they face defending Aviva Premiership champions Saracens on Saturday night.

He was absent from last Friday's 29-23 defeat at home to the Scarlets that left the Saints' hopes of qualifying for the knock-out stages of the tournament in the balance after suffering a concussion.

However, Foden is now fully fit and raring to go as Northampton welcome their bitter rivals to the Gardens aiming to continue their push up the table in search of a place in the play-offs.

He said: "We got a bit of form together to climb up to sixth in the Premiership and had the momentum going with us for the Heineken Cup, but results didn't go our way.

"We're disappointed with the last two weeks' performances and we need to use that for fuel against Saracens.

"It has become a bit of a rivalry between us and they seem to get the rub of the green against us more than often, so we need to right that wrong and prove Northampton Saints are going to be competing hard this year for the Premiership title.

"It shows that Saracens are a good side now and that Northampton are a big threat to them.

"Hopefully, if things go well this season, we'll be crowned Premiership champions and we can battle that out with the likes of Leicester and be regarded, in that respect, as a top four Premiership side."

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Vets4Pets Northampton Practice News.

Jenny Millington, Northampton practice partner

Jenny Millington wins Practice Partner of the Year award

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Jenny beat off competition from the partners of the other 72 Vets4Pets practices to win the prestigious award which recognises the hard work and passion that Jenny brings to her practice, as well as the additional involvement with local charities and the community.

Akira, who survived an operation due to emergency blood products from Pet Blood Bank.

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Davinia and Zoe collecting Christmas boxes

Christmas Charity Appeal

The team at Vets4Pets Northampton are helping 2 local charities this Christmas with their "Shoebox" appeal. The team are giving out empty shoe boxes and asking people to fill them with food, toys and blankets to give as Christmas boxes to animals in local rescue centres. Dogs, cats, rabbits and guinea pigs at Animals In Need and The Algernon Trust will benefit from the Christmas boxes.

Practice head nurse Davinia Percival said "We are all really excited about trying to get Christmas Boxes for as many animals as possible. The rescue animals deserve a special treat this Christmas and we hope they enjoy their pressies!".

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Keats bites off more than he can chew!

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